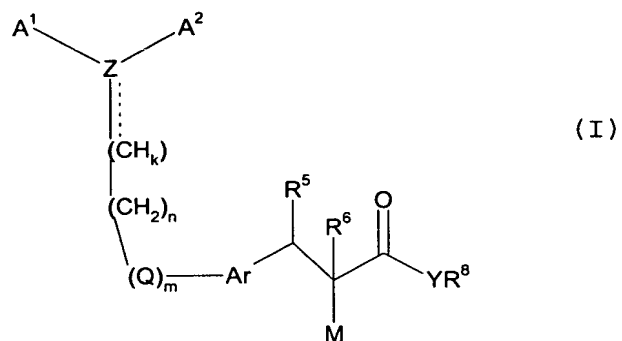


ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Disclosed are novel compounds of formula (I)

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wherein A¹, A², Ar, R⁵, R⁶, R⁸, M, Q, Y, Z, k, m and n are as defined in the specification.

- 10 These compounds are useful in the treatment and/or prevention of conditions mediated by nuclear receptors, in particular the Peroxisome Proliferator-Activated Receptors (PPAR). Such conditions include diabetes and obesity.

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